IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Harvey B. NEWMAN, et Examiner: Aaron N. STRANGE

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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action of March 22, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-12, 14-27, 29, and 30 are pending in the present application.

Claims 1-4 6, 7, 15-19, 21, 22, and 30 are rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Galvez et al. (cited as reference V in the PTO-892 of 8/225/2004) in view of Tucker et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,590,604).

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims.